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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	JP 2004-82403 A (SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION) 2004.03.18, [0019], Fig.8 (Family: none)	1-11
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